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TO: Members of the Health and Human Services Interim Committee

FROM: Senator Sheldon Killpack

Representative Mike Thompson

DATE: April 7, 2004

SUBJECT: Schedule for 2004 Health and Human Services Interim Committee

REQUEST FOR INPUT

As the interim period begins, we would like your input. <u>Please use the accompanying form to identify three issues the committee should address this year and indicate why they are of importance.</u> You may draw from items on the Master Study Resolution, legislation considered this year or in previous years, agency reports submitted to the committee, sunsets requirements, legislative audits, and other sources.

ITEMS ALREADY SCHEDULED

We have already scheduled the following issues for study this year in response to direction from the Legislative Management Committee and statutory requirements. You do not need to include these items as one of your three priorities:

Master Study Resolution Items prioritized in March by the Legislative Management Committee:

- **#31 Impacts Related to the Senior Population** to study the impact of population growth in the senior population and the impacts on all facets of state government.
- **Acupuncture by Chiropractors** to study defining the practice of acupuncture by chiropractors (S.B. 249).
- **"46 Chiropractic Training in Acupuncture** to study the amount of training chiropractic physicians should have before they can engage in the practice of acupuncture.
- **"54 Guardian Ad Litem** to study the duties and functions of the Guardian Ad Litem Office.
- **Pharmaceutical Cost Reduction** to study benefits to consumers of dispensing, where appropriate, generic drugs (1st Sub. H.B. 69).

Health insurance mandates already scheduled pursuant to the committee's five-year statutory review process:

- Coverage for mental health treatment
- Coverage for dependents to age 26
- Coverage for inborn metabolic error dietary products